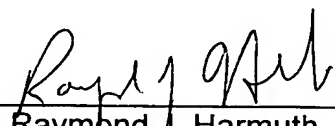


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This amendment is made to place the claims in conformance with U.S. Patent practice. This amendment is not in derogation of any prior art, and Applicants respectfully assert that it is entitled to the claims as amended and any equivalents thereof.

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